

PUBLIC ACTS, 1999

CHAPTER NO. 305

HOUSE BILL NO. 1354

By Representative Caldwell

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1378

By Senator Person

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 6, Part 2, relative to medical review committees.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-6-219(d)(1), is amended by adding the following language at the end of the subdivision:

Physicians health programs and physicians health peer review committees shall be immune from liability for providing intervention, referral, and other support services to the minor children or spouse or both of physicians.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-6-219(e), is amended by deleting the second sentence of the subsection and by substituting instead the following language:

All such information, in any form whatsoever, so furnished to, or generated by, a medical peer review committee, shall be privileged.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code, Annotated, Section 63-6-219, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subsection:

() If any provisions of the Tennessee Peer Review Act of 1967 or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: May 17, 1999



JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 27th day of May 1999



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